



## Church of England Primary School

## AUTUMN 2 WEEK

Let God transform you into a new person by changing the way that you think - Romans 12:2 NLT

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderfully busy and joy-filled week it has been in school. As we move closer to the festive season, the children have been surrounded by exciting learning experiences, creative opportunities and plenty of moments that have filled the building with smiles and curiosity. It has been lovely to see them throw themselves into every activity with such enthusiasm and confidence.

Over the past few days all year groups have had the chance to visit the Science Dome, which has been an incredible way for the children to explore different worlds, habitats and environments. The immersive dome experience brought science to life in a truly magical way and it was fantastic to see the awe on the children's faces as they learned about outer space, deep oceans and the wonders of our planet. It has certainly sparked a lot of questions and conversations back in the classrooms.

Our younger children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 were treated to a very special visitor — a magician who captivated them with tricks, illusions and a lot of laughter. Their excitement was infectious and it was lovely to see them so engaged and delighted throughout the show.

We also enjoyed a beautiful piano and violin concert this week. The musicians filled the hall with calming music and the children were a wonderful audience. It offered them a chance to experience live performance up close and to appreciate the practice and skill involved in learning an instrument.

A heartfelt thank you to all the parents who joined us for our 'Flourish Through Reading' workshop. It was inspiring to see so many families taking part and supporting reading at home. We will be holding more reading events as we move towards the Year of Reading in 2026 and we look forward to welcoming even more of you to future sessions.

Today, Year 2 had an unforgettable visit from Safari Pete, who brought a range of wild animals for the children to learn about. The excitement was sky high as they met creatures they had never seen up close before. It was both a fun and educational experience and the children came away bursting with facts and stories to share.

Looking ahead, next week is set to be a truly festive and joyful one. On Wednesday after school, we will be holding our Christmas Fair in the hall. We hope you can join us for an afternoon full of festive fun, stalls and activities. This is always a highlight of the season and it is a lovely opportunity for families to come together and celebrate.

On Thursday, we will be celebrating Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day. We are very excited to see the festive attire the children choose to wear and we are sure the hall will be full of colour and sparkle as we share our special meal together.

Those children who take part in peripatetic music lessons will also have their piano concert on Tuesday morning, giving them the chance to showcase their growing confidence and musical skills.

Thursday will also see Professor Bubbleworks visiting us to kick off a day full of science fun. The children can look forward to exciting demonstrations and hands-on activities that are sure to spark curiosity and imagination.

Finally, on Friday, all children will enjoy a visiting pantomime — a fantastic way to round off a week filled with celebration, learning and festive cheer.

It truly is a lively and magical time of year in school. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for helping to make these moments so special for the children. We look forward to another wonderful week ahead as we continue our countdown to the holidays.

Warmest wishes Mr Pawley

# PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2026

Do you have a child who was born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022?

If so, your child is eligible to start primary school in September 2026.

To make an application, please apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk by 15 January 2026.

For more information, visit the Waltham Forest Primary Admission page: https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/schools-education-and-learning/apply-primary-school where you can download a copy of the Starting Primary School 2026 brochure with full details on how to apply.

## **PARENT CALENDAR**



## DECEMBER 2025



TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
2 Magician Rec - Y2	3 Science Dome Whole School Last Day for Chess Club	Science Dome Whole School Year 5 trip - The Hive			7
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# Term Dates 2025- 2026

#### Autumn Term 2025

First Half (37 Days)

INSET - Monday 1st, Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Start – Thursday 4th September 2025

End - Friday 24th October 2025

Half Term: Monday 27th October 2025-31st October 2025

Second Half (34 Days)

Start – Monday 3rd November 2025

End - Thursday 18th December 2025

Holidays: Friday 19th December 2025 to Friday 2nd January 2026

### Spring Term 2026

First Half (30 Days)

Start – Monday 5th January 2026

End - Friday 13th February 2026

Half Term: Monday 16th February 2026 - Friday 20th February 2026

Second Half (25 Days)

Start - Monday 23rd February 2026

End - Friday 27th March 2026

Holidays: Monday 30th March 2026 to Friday 10th April 2026

### Summer Term 2026

First Half (29 Days)

Start - Monday 13th April 2026

End - Friday 22nd May 2026

Half Term: Monday 25th May 2026 - Friday 29th May 2026 Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May 2026

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 25th May 2026 (during Half Term)

Second Half (35 Days)

Start - Monday 1st June 2026 End - Friday 17th July 2026